

CHAPTER 217**PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT — OFFENSES TRIED
WITHOUT INDICTMENT***H.J.R. 10**Second Time Passed*

A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Iowa to eliminate the limitation on fines for offenses which may be summarily tried without indictment.

Be It Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the State of Iowa is proposed:

Section 11, unnumbered paragraph 1, Article I of the Constitution of the State of Iowa, is amended to read as follows:

All ~~offences~~ offenses less than felony and in which the ~~punishment does not exceed a fine of one hundred dollars, or maximum permissible imprisonment for does not exceed thirty days, shall be tried summarily before a justice of the peace, or other an~~ officer authorized by law, on information under oath, without indictment, or the intervention of a grand jury, saving to the defendant the right of appeal; and no person shall be held to answer for any higher criminal ~~offence~~ offense, unless on presentment or indictment by a grand jury, except in cases arising in the army, or navy, or in the militia, when in actual service, in time of war or public danger.

Sec. 2. The foregoing proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Iowa, having been adopted and agreed to by the Seventy-sixth General Assembly, 1996 Session, thereafter duly published, and now adopted and agreed to by the Seventy-seventh General Assembly in this Joint Resolution, shall be submitted to the people of the State of Iowa at the general election in November of the year nineteen hundred ninety-eight in the manner required by the Constitution and laws of the State of Iowa.